Progress in setting up Gas Terminal at Usar

2199. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABH1NANDAN JAIN: WiH the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in according approval for the setting up of Gas Terminal at Usar;

(b) the details, of action taken by the Central Government so far; and

(c) the time by when it is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (c) The proposal for a gas terminal at Usar has to be examined in the context of laying a gas pipeline in the South from a suitable landfall point on the Western Coast, which has been approved in principle. The location of the landfall point will be based on techno-economic consideration.

Inadequate supply of crude oil to Barauni Refinery

2200. SHRI RAM TETHMALANI:
SHRI MOHD. AFZAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Barauni Refinery of Indian Oil Corporation is currently under-utilised in view of the inadequate supplies of crude oil from Assam oil fields;

(fe) what is the installed capacity of the refinery and what were the quantities actually refined there during the last three years year-wise;

Ic) what steps Government propose to take for full utilization of its installed capacity; and

(d) what is the amount of financial loss of the refinery and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) and (b) Installed capacity of Barauni Refinery is 3.3 MMTPA. However, in view of inadequate supplies of crude oil from Assam, during 1991-92, 1992-93 and 1993-94, actual crude processing has been 2.262, 2.287 and 2.222 Million Tonnes respectively.

(c) and (d) IOC has submitted a Detailed Feasibility Report to lay a crude oil pipeline from Haldia to Barauni to the Government recently which is being processed for obtaining necessary investment approval. Since the entire crude produced in North-East has been processed, the question of loss on this account does not arise.

बिहार में एल पी जी की नई एजेंसियों का खोला जाना

2201. श्री जनार्दन यादव : क्या **पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इस समय बिहार के कितने जिलों में एल पी जी की एजेंसियां हैं ; और

(ख) क्या सरकार इस वर्ष के अंत तक उन स्थानों पर एजेंसियां आवंटित करने का विचार रखती है जहां पर एल पी जी की एजेंसियां नहीं हैं ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (कैप्टन सतीश शर्मा) : (क) और (ख) फिलहाल बिहार के 46 जिलों को एल पी जी की सुविधा हासिल है । आर्थिक साध्यता तथा उत्पाद के उपलब्ध होने पर जिन जिला मुख्यालयों में डिस्ट्रीब्यूटरशिपें नहीं हैं वहां तथा 20,000 और उससे अधिक जनसंख्या वाले स्थानों पर एल पी जी की डिस्ट्री-ब्यूटरशिपें चरणों में खोली जाती हैं।